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For: INJECTION VEHICLE FOR POLYMER-
BASED FORMULATIONS

Examiner: C. Kam

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated July 17, 2008 (Paper No. 20080714) and Advisory Action dated December 5, 2008 (Paper No. 20081203), for which a response was due on January 17, 2009 with a three month extension of time. Since January 17, 2009 fell on a Saturday and Monday, January 19, 2009 and Tuesday, January 20, 2009 were federal holidays, this response is timely filed. Applicants previously petitioned for and paid the fees for a one month extension of time on November 17, 2008. A Petition for Extension of Time for the additional two months, for a total of three months, and the appropriate fee, are cofiled herewith, as well as a Request for Continued Examination. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.